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FOUR-TIME FELON SENTENCED TO 51 MONTHS FOR FIREARM OFFENSE

PHOENIX – Hughie Henderson, 37, of Mesa, Ariz., was sentenced by U.S. District Judge Roslyn O. Silver on March 28, 2005 to 51 months in prison and ordered to perform 100 hours of community service for Felon in Possession of a Firearm.

Henderson pleaded guilty on November 16, 2004 and admitted that in April 2004 he was carrying a .357 caliber revolver in a book bag as he was being questioned by a Deputy U.S. Marshal on an unrelated matter. The Deputy Marshal saw the gun and seized it after he determined Henderson was prohibited from carrying the weapon and had outstanding warrants. At sentencing, the government noted that Henderson had four prior felony convictions for Breaking and Entering, Attempted Burglary, Fraudulent Schemes and Artifices and Misconduct Involving a Sawed-Off Shotgun, plus nine additional misdemeanor convictions including Assault, DUI, False Information to a Police Officer and Disorderly Conduct.

The investigation in this case was conducted by the U.S. Marshals Service and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. The prosecution was handled by Frederick A. Battista, Assistant U.S. Attorney, District of Arizona, Phoenix.

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